

Appendix G6
Air Quality – Health Risk Analysis
of Onshore Pipeline Construction

1. INTRODUCTION

The Applicant conducted a screening-level health risk analysis (HRA) to estimate potential acute and long-term health risks associated with air toxic contaminants emitted from diesel-fueled equipment that would be used during Project-related shore crossing construction and onshore pipeline installation. Health risk impacts were evaluated for the following four construction activity scenarios:

1. Trenching (part of onshore pipeline installation);
2. Pipelay (part of onshore pipeline installation);
3. Drilling (part of onshore pipeline installation); and
4. Shore Crossing Construction

Boring (part of onshore pipeline installation), which uses similar equipment as Drilling, was not included in the HRA. Emissions from Drilling are projected to be greater in quantity but similar in composition than emissions from Boring, therefore the HRA for Drilling represents “worst-case risk” between these two activities.

2. METHODOLOGY

Acute and long-term (70-year cancer) risks were evaluated using the Hotspots Analysis and Reporting Program (HARP), which is a computer software package maintained by the California Air Resources Board (CARB). HARP combines the tools of emission inventory database, facility prioritization, air dispersion modeling, and risk assessment analysis. The air dispersion analysis component of HARP utilizes the United States Environmental Protection Agency’s Industrial Source Complex - Short-Term model (ISCST). The HARP risk analysis tool follows the *Air Toxics Hot Spots Program Guidance Manual for Preparation of Health Risk Assessments* developed by CARB’s Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment. HARP integrates the results of air dispersion analysis with the risk analysis tool so that the risk calculations are performed within the same program.

3. MODEL INPUTS

3.1 Source Descriptions

A summary of the diesel-fueled equipment for each construction activity is presented in Table 1. This table includes the total hourly diesel fuel rate for each activity that was used to estimate exhaust stack parameters.

3.2 Stack Parameters

For the HRA, the various internal combustion engines used in equipment and vehicles were consolidated into a single source. Thus, air pollutants from all internal combustion engines were assumed to be emitted from a single "virtual stack" for each construction activity scenario. The parameters of the "virtual stack" were set so that the height, exit velocity, and exit temperature would be roughly equivalent to the same parameters for the average engine stack. A summary of stack parameters is presented in Table 2.

3.3 Emission Rates

Air toxic emissions from diesel-fueled equipment were calculated using the total hourly diesel fuel usage for each construction activity and emission factors developed as part of California's Air Toxics "Hot Spots" Information and Assessment Act (AB2588 Program). A summary of air toxic emission rates for each stack is presented in Table 3.

3.4 Receptors

Health risks were evaluated at receptor locations input into HARP. Receptors were located within placed on a 1.5-km by 1.5-km grid, centered on the stack location, with spacing between receptors of 25 meters.

3.5 Meteorological Data

HARP was run with one year (1993) of meteorological data from the following Ventura County Air Pollution Control District monitoring stations:

- Simi Valley (for Trenching and Pipelay); and
- Ventura (for Drilling and Shore Crossing).

4. RESULTS

The screening-level HRA evaluated acute and long-term impacts from emissions caused by diesel-fueled equipment used during Project construction. Acute impacts were calculated directly by HARP. For long-term impacts, this analysis considered 70 years of exposure whereas the duration of each construction activity is less than 1 year. Therefore, the 70-year cancer risk was adjusted based on the actual length of each activity.

A comparison of maximum risk calculated in the HRA to appropriate significance levels is presented in Table 4. The acute hazard index for each construction activity is less than the significance level of 1.0. All adjusted long-term cancer risk values are less than the significance level of 1:1,000,000 (10^{-6}). The adjusted cancer risks for Pipelay and Trenching are considered conservative. The long-term cancer risks assume the activity's equipment remains in a fixed location during the entire job. However, the Pipelay and Trenching equipment moves along the length of the pipeline route and is in a given location for only a few hours.

Table 1
Summary of Each Construction Activity

Activity	Equipment Type	No. of Devices	Mileage (mi/day)	Engine Rating per Device (bhp)	Daily Operation (hr/day)	Average Load	Working Days	Daily Output (bhp-hr/day or mi/day)	Fuel Use Rate (Btu/bhp-hr or Btu/mi)	Daily Fuel Input (MMBtu/day)	Hourly Fuel Usage (gal/hr)	Total Fuel Usage (gal)
Trenching	Trenching Machine	1		1,000	12	80%	180	9600	6,860	65.85	40.0	86,505
	Track Backhoe	1		500	12	80%	180	4800	6,860	32.93	20.0	43,253
	Front Loader	1		200	12	50%	180	1200	6,860	8.23	5.0	10,813
	Bulldozer	1		200	12	50%	180	1200	6,860	8.23	5.0	10,813
	Dragline	1		200	12	50%	180	1200	6,860	8.23	5.0	10,813
	TOTAL										75	162,197
Pipelay	Dump Truck	2	60		4		180	120	27,406	3.29	6.0	4,320
	Water Truck	2	60		4		180	120	27,406	3.29	6.0	4,320
	Utility Truck	2	60		4		180	120	27,406	3.29	6.0	4,320
	Heavy Fork Lift	1		200	12	50%	180	1200	6,860	8.23	5.0	10,813
	Lowboy Truck	4	120		8		180	480	27,406	13.15	12.0	17,280
	Pipe Stringing Truck (mi/day)	2	60		4		180	120	27,406	3.29	6.0	4,320
	Sideboom Tractor	2		200	12	50%	180	2400	6,860	16.46	10.0	21,626
	Mobile Crane	1		200	12	50%	180	1200	6,860	8.23	5.0	10,813
	Pipe Bending Machine	1		100	12	50%	90	600	6,860	4.12	2.5	2,703
	Hydrostatic Test Pump	1		200	12	50%	30	1200	6,860	8.23	5.0	1,802
	Fill Dirt Screener	1		200	12	50%	180	1200	6,860	8.23	5.0	10,813
	Sheepsfoot Compactor	1		200	12	50%	180	1200	6,860	8.23	5.0	10,813
	Cement Truck	2	60		4		90	120	27,406	3.29	6.0	2,160
	Cement Pump	1		100	12	50%	90	600	6,860	4.12	2.5	2,703
	Asphalt Truck	2	60		4		90	120	27,406	3.29	6.0	2,160
	Asphalt Paving Machine	1		200	12	50%	90	1200	6,860	8.23	5.0	5,407
	Asphalt Roller	1		100	12	50%	90	600	6,860	4.12	2.5	2,703
	TOTAL										96	119,077
Drilling	Large Drilling Rig (HDD)	2		500	24	80%	30	19200	6,860	131.71	40.0	28,835
	Mud Cleaner Generator	1		400	24	80%	30	7680	6,860	52.68	16.0	11,534
	Mud Pumps	2		500	24	80%	30	19200	6,860	131.71	40.0	28,835
	Fluid Handling Pumps	4		75	24	80%	30	5760	6,860	39.51	12.0	8,651
	Track Backhoe	1		200	12	50%	30	1200	6,860	8.23	5.0	1,802
	All Terrain Forklift	1		100	12	50%	30	600	6,860	4.12	2.5	901
	Light Towers	6		20	12	100%	30	1440	6,860	9.88	6.0	2,163
	Heavy Lift Crane	1		500	6	50%	30	1500	6,860	10.29	12.5	2,253
	18 Wheeler Truck (mi/day)	2	60		4		30	120	27,406	3.29	6.0	720
	TOTAL										140	85,693
Shore Crossing	In-hole head drive unit	1		400	6	100%	88	2400	6,860	16.46	10.0	10,573
	Mud pumps	2		400	9	100%	88	7200	6,860	49.39	30.0	31,719
	Solids control unit	1		500	8	100%	88	4000	6,860	27.44	16.7	17,621
	Thrusting apparatus	1		300	6	100%	88	1800	6,860	12.35	7.5	7,930
	Electrical generator	1		400	24	80%	85	7680	6,860	52.68	16.0	32,680
	All Terrain Forklift	1		100	12	30%	60	360	6,860	2.47	0.8	1,081
	Mobile crane	1		400	7.2	80%	85	2304	6,860	15.81	4.8	9,804
	Welding machines	3		100	12	80%	85	2880	6,860	19.76	6.0	12,255
	Exit Hole Barge Tug	1		4,000	24	5%	35	4800	6,860	32.93	10.0	8,410
	AHTS	1		15,000	24	10%	35	36000	6,860	246.95	75.1	63,077
	*Contingency	1		700	24	100%	60	16800	6,860	115.25	35.0	50,461
	18 Wheeler Truck (mi/day)	2	60		4		60	120	27,406	3.29	6.0	1,440
	TOTAL										218	247,051

Table 2
Summary of Stack Parameters

Activity	Stack Height (m)	Stack Temperature (K)	Stack Velocity (m/s)	Stack Diameter (m)
Trenching	2.5	700	45	0.451
Pipelay	2.5	700	45	0.543
Drilling	4	700	45	0.610
Shore Crossing	4	700	45	0.439

Table 3
Summary of Emission Rates

Pollutant	Emission Factor ^a (lb/1000-gal)	Hourly Emissions (lb/hr)				Annual Emissions (lb/yr)			
		Trenching	Pipelay	Drilling	Shore Crossing	Trenching	Pipelay	Drilling	Shore Crossing
Benzene	0.1863	0.014	0.0178	0.0261	0.0406	30.2	22.2	16	46
Toluene	0.1054	0.00791	0.0101	0.0148	0.023	17.1	12.6	9.03	26
Xylenes	0.0424	0.00318	0.00405	0.00594	0.00924	6.88	5.05	3.63	10.5
PAHs (w/ naphthalene)	0.0559	0.0042	0.00534	0.00784	0.0122	9.07	6.66	4.79	13.8
Chlorobenzene	0.0002	0.000015	0.0000191	0.000028	0.0000436	0.0324	0.0238	0.0171	0.049
Hexane	0.0269	0.00202	0.00257	0.00377	0.00586	4.36	3.2	2.31	6.65
Ethyl Benzene	0.0109	0.000818	0.00104	0.00153	0.00238	1.77	1.3	0.934	2.7
Hydrogen Chloride	0.1863	0.014	0.0178	0.0261	0.0406	30.2	22.2	16	46
Arsenic	0.0016	0.00012	0.000153	0.000224	0.000349	0.26	0.191	0.137	0.395
Cadmium	0.0015	0.000113	0.000143	0.00021	0.000327	0.243	0.179	0.129	0.37
Total Chromium	0.0006	0.0000451	0.0000573	0.0000841	0.000131	0.0973	0.0714	0.0514	0.15
Hexavalent Chromium	0.0001	0.00000751	0.00000956	0.000014	0.0000218	0.0162	0.0119	0.00857	0.025
Copper	0.0041	0.000308	0.000392	0.000575	0.00089	0.665	0.488	0.351	1.0
Lead	0.0083	0.000623	0.000793	0.00116	0.00181	1.35	0.988	0.711	2.05
Manganese	0.0031	0.000233	0.000296	0.000435	0.000676	0.503	0.369	0.266	0.766
Mercury	0.0020	0.00015	0.000191	0.00028	0.000436	0.324	0.238	0.171	0.49
Nickel	0.0039	0.000293	0.000373	0.000547	0.000850	0.633	0.464	0.334	0.96
Selenium	0.0022	0.000165	0.00021	0.000308	0.00048	0.357	0.262	0.189	0.54
Zinc	0.0224	0.00168	0.00214	0.00314	0.00488	3.6	2.67	1.92	5.5
Propylene	0.4670	0.0351	0.0446	0.0655	0.102	75.7	55.6	40	115
Formaldehyde	1.7261	0.13	0.165	0.242	0.376	280	206	148	426
Acetaldehyde	0.7833	0.0588	0.0749	0.11	0.171	127	93.3	67.1	194
Acrolein	0.0339	0.00255	0.00324	0.00475	0.00739	5.5	4.04	2.91	8.4
1,3-Butadiene	0.2174	0.0163	0.0208	0.0305	0.047	35.3	25.9	18.6	54
Diesel Exhaust Particulates ^b	-	1.333	0.917	2.08	3.625	2873	1625	1498	4341

Notes:

- Emission factors for combustion of diesel fuel in internal combustion engines were developed for use in AB 2588 emission inventory reports.
- Emissions based on emission calculations of PM₁₀ from Project construction activities (see Appendix G1).

Table 4
Summary of Stack Parameters

Activity	Acute Risks		HARP Output: 70-Year Cancer Risk ^b	Duration of Activity (days)	Risk Adjustment Factor ^c	Long-Term Risks	
	Acute Risk Hazard Index	Significance Level ^a				Adjusted Cancer Risk ^d	Significance Level ^a
Trenching	0.246	1.0	4.55E-05	180	0.0070	3.2E-07	1.0E-06
Pipelay	0.265	1.0	1.49E-05	180	0.0070	1.0E-07	1.0E-06
Shore Crossing	0.241	1.0	7.53E-05	60	0.0023	1.8E-07	1.0E-06
Drilling	0.070	1.0	9.57E-06	30	0.0012	1.1E-08	1.0E-06

Notes:

- a. Significance levels from South Coast Air Quality Management District Rule 1401.
- b. HARP Output assumes continuous source of emissions (24 hr/day, 365 day/yr) over a 70-year period.
- c. Risk adjustment factor was calculated to account for temporary nature of construction emissions.

$$\text{Risk Adjustment Factor} = (\text{Duration of Activity} / 365 \text{ days}) / 70 \text{ Years}$$
- d. Adjusted Cancer Risk = HARP Output: 70-Year Cancer Risk x Risk Adjustment Factor